

Advanced C1-C2

Binomial Expressions

Worksheet

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: / 20

Exercise A · Complete the binomial (Q1–5)

Fill in the missing word to complete each binomial expression.

1. *trial and* ____
2. *black and* ____
3. *sooner or* ____
4. *give and* ____
5. ____ *and error*

Exercise B · Choose the correct binomial (Q6–10)

Choose the correct fixed order.

1. We learned the system by ____ .
a) error and trial b) trial and error c) error or trial d) trials and errors
2. The situation isn't ____ — there is room for negotiation.
a) white and black b) dark and light c) black and white d) clear and murky
3. ____, the truth will come out.
a) Later or sooner b) Sooner or later c) Sooner and later d) Later and sooner
4. Good cooperation is all about ____ .
a) take and give b) give or take c) give and take d) take or give
5. She looked ____ for her missing keys.
a) there and here b) everywhere and anywhere c) high and low d) low and high

Binomial Expressions — Side B

Exercise C · Correct the reversed binomial (Q11–14)

Each sentence has a reversed binomial. Write the correct version.

1. *She learned photography by error and trial.*

2. *The facts are white and black — there is no ambiguity.*

3. *Later or sooner, we'll find a solution.*

4. *The company grew by take and give between departments.*

Exercise D · Use the binomial in a sentence (Q15–17)

Write a complete sentence using each binomial expression.

1. *wear and tear*

2. *safe and sound*

3. *pros and cons*

Exercise E · Choose the correct binomial (Q18–20)

Fill in the blank with a suitable binomial expression from the word bank.

Word bank: *wear and tear* · *safe and sound* · *pros and cons*

1. *The old bridge showed signs of ___ after decades of use.*

2. *She arrived home ___ after the long journey.*

3. *We discussed the ___ of the new proposal before making a decision.*

Answer Sheet

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Exercise A — Complete the binomial

1. error
2. white
3. later
4. take
5. trial

Exercise B — Choose the correct binomial

6. trial and error
7. black and white
8. Sooner or later
9. give and take
10. high and low

Exercise C — Correct the reversed binomial

11. trial and error
12. black and white
13. Sooner or later
14. give and take

Exercise D — Use in a sentence

15–17: Accept any grammatically correct sentence using the binomial correctly.

Exercise E — Choose the binomial

18. wear and tear
19. safe and sound
20. pros and cons